

REMARKS:

At the time of the Final Office Action, claims 1, 3-9, 11-14 and 16 were pending and considered by the Examiner. Claim 16 stands allowed, and claims 1, 3-9 and 11-14 were rejected. Pursuant to this Amendment, claim 9 has been amended. Claims 1, 3-9, 11-14 and 16 remain pending in the subject application.

Allowance of claim 16 is noted with thanks.

Replacement Drawings attending to the objections raised by the Examiner are submitted herewith. Removal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

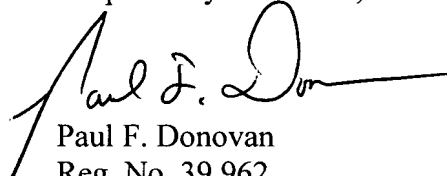
Without agreeing with the Examiner as to what is or is not taught by the cited reference, in order to simply put this case into condition for allowance, claim 9 has been amended to include limitations of allowed claim 16. Thus, claim 9, and the claims depending therefrom, are allowable.

No new matter has been added by way of the amendments and remarks made herein. Allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any remaining issues that need to be addressed, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number indicated below.

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